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References F1-F9 and R6 were cited in the International Search Report and are also in a foreign language; however, to meet the duty of disclosure, the applicants have also included a copy of the International Search Report showing the relevancy of each of these cited references. Furthermore, F1-F9 and R6 were also cited in the International Preliminary Report on Patentability

(IPRP) and the Written Opinion (WO). Also enclosed are English translations of the IPRP and the WO.

Please note that references Moriji (R3) and Nakae (R4) are not in English; however, attached are their English translations.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants hereby request that the references cited in the International Search Report and listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08 be made of record and considered in the examination of the subject application.

Applicants respectfully assert that the substantive provisions of 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98 are met by the foregoing statement.

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